WHEREAS, during the month of February the citizens of this nation will be celebrating the birthdays of two resolute American patriots and famous Presidents, George Washington and Abraham Lincoln, and;

WHEREAS, traditionally the governors of our great state have named the month of February as "History Month" and South Dakota historians have always made a special effort to make our heritage better known to our people, and;

WHEREAS, it is becoming more important for each resident of this great nation to have a true understanding of the history of these United States;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, NILS A. BOE, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim the month of February, 1966, as

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in South Dakota, and call upon all of the organizations of whatever kind, and public, parochial and private schools to emphasize the study of American history during this designated month, in order that our citizens may better appreciate the great spiritual strength and wisdom of our forefathers and will assist in the building of a continuing heritage of faith, fortitude and righteousness for future generations based on the knowledge, understanding and love of country.

> IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota to be affixed on this 20 /, in the year our Word, one thousand nine hardred and sixty-six.

LS A. BOE,

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